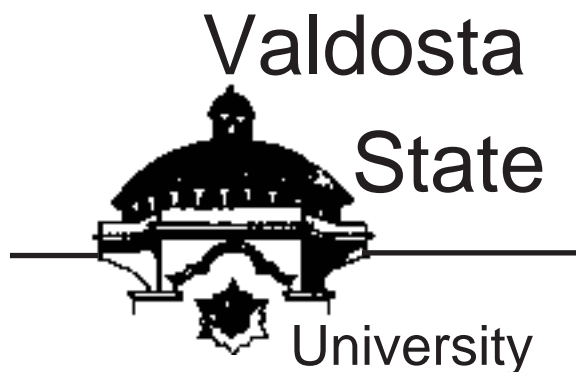


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# STUDENT SERVICES

- Description of Student Services**
- General Student Interest Organizations**
- National Student Honorary Societies**
- Residence Hall Occupancy Rates**
- Career Placement Statistics**

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- ◆ VSU has a variety of clubs and student organizations including twenty-four different national honorary fraternities and societies, twenty-two social councils.
  - ◆ All of the Residence halls possess occupancy rates of eighty-nine percent or higher for fall semester 2000.
  - ◆ The VSU Career Services Office sponsors Career Days, where several school systems, hospitals, government agencies, and businesses recruit students on campus.



## STUDENT SERVICES

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### Clubs and Organizations

There is a diversity of clubs and student organizations at Valdosta State University, including nine national sororities, ten national fraternities, various service organizations, honor societies, departmental clubs, and religious organizations. All students are members of the Student Government Association (SGA). The purpose of this organization is to work for the best interest of the students, cooperate with the VSU administration and faculty in all matters of common interest to the University, approve and coordinate campus student organizations, and provide a means of communication between the students and all areas of the university. Representatives are elected in annual campus elections and meet weekly.

### Career Services

The Office of Career Services is responsible for assisting VSU students in choosing their major programs of study, their career objectives, and in obtaining satisfactory employment upon graduation. Individual career counseling is available for students who wish to explore how their abilities, values, and interests match up with particular career fields. Workshops on resume preparation, job-interview skills, and job search strategies are offered each semester.

### Cooperative Education

Valdosta State University offers all students the opportunity to gain work experience directly related to their academic majors, begin their career decision making process, and earn money for their educational expenses. Students will develop professional work habits and will have an opportunity to make valuable career contracts.

### Counseling Center

The Counseling Center offers a variety of services to all students, prospective students, staff and faculty at Valdosta State University, free of charge. Professionally trained counselors are available to assist with any personal, social, or educational concerns. The Center provides individual and group consultation in addition to offering outreach programs to various target groups on campus, in the residence halls, and in the community.

### Financial Aid

The primary purpose of the student aid program is to make higher education a reality for persons who would be unable to attend without financial assistance. This assistance may include grants, loans, work programs, and scholarships. The Financial Aid Office also houses the Veterans Affairs Office, which has been set up to assist all veterans at VSU with their education.

### Foreign Student Advisor

Valdosta State University employs a full-time foreign student advisor who provides support services to the international student community at VSU.

### Health Services

The University Health Service provides health care for students in a 12-bed infirmary under the supervision of a university physician, a physician's assistant, and registered nurses. The objective of the student health service is to maintain a state of optimum health among the student body and to educate each student to proper attitudes and habits regarding personal and community health.

### Intercollegiate Athletics

Valdosta State University's men's and women's programs compete in the Gulf South Conference, which is composed of eighteen institutions in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Florida, and Arkansas. The Gulf South Conference is part of Division II of the NCAA.

### Intramural Athletics

The Intramural Department at Valdosta State University provides students with the opportunity to participate in well organized programs of recreational sports and special event activities. Intramural's goal is to develop positive recreational habits that students will use well beyond their years at VSU.

Intramural activities include: basketball, flag football, softball, volleyball, and soccer. Special event activities include such programs as: slam dunk contest, Schick super hoops, tug-of-war, whitewater rafting, camping, snorkeling, horseback riding, and home run derby. The swimming pool, gym, and weight room are also available for use by faculty, staff, or students. VSU is also in the process of constructing a new student recreation center that will provide additional sporting activities.

### Publications

Valdosta State University provides opportunities for experience in journalism through *The Spectator*, the campus newspaper, *The Odradek*, the literary arts magazine, and other student publications.

### Special Services

The Special Services Program serves students that have documented disabilities, who have met all of the VSU admission criteria and are otherwise qualified. These students voluntarily register with the program and must meet Board of Regents' criteria. The types of disabilities include but are not limited to learning disabled, visually impaired, hearing impaired, mobility impaired, attention deficit disorder, and other health impairments.

Some services include classroom and testing accommodations, textbooks in alternate formats, tutoring, and assistance with accessibility. This program attempts to make reasonable accommodations which enable students to pursue their educational goals. The program strives to provide equal access for students and uphold the academic standards of Valdosta State University. All services are provided free of charge.

### Testing

Valdosta State University is designated as a national test center for the administration of standardized tests. The Office of Testing assists all students with their testing needs.

## GENERAL STUDENT INTEREST ORGANIZATIONS - FY 2001

### Recognized Student Organizations

#### Departmental & Professional Societies

American Chemical Society Student Affiliates  
Art Student League  
Association for Computing Machinery  
Blazer Student Boosters  
Blazin' Brigade  
Cheerleaders  
Collegiate Music Educators  
Concert Band  
Concert Choir  
Debate Team  
Exercise Science Majors Club  
Georgia Association of Nursing Students  
Geosciences Student Society  
Graduate Social Work Organization  
Jazz Ensemble  
Mass Choir  
Mathematical Association of America  
Model United Nations Club  
National Art Education Association  
National Student Partnerships  
National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association  
Psychology Club  
Society of Physics Students  
Sociology, Anthropology, & Criminal Justice Society  
Student Athletic Trainers Association  
Student Council for Exceptional Children  
Student Professional Association of GA Educators  
Tau Beta Sigma

#### Recreation & Sports

Bowling Club  
Health & Physical Education Club  
Hockey Club  
Outdoor Adventure Club  
Valdosta State Soccer Club  
Volleyball Club  
VSU Women's Club Soccer

#### Religious and Spiritual Societies

Adventist Christian Fellowship  
Baptist Student Union  
Believers Out Uniting Testimonies in Truth  
Campus Outreach  
Canterbury Club  
Christian Student Center  
Evangelistic Outreach Ministry  
Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
Jewish Student Union  
Newman Center Campus Ministry  
Presbyterian Student Center  
United Methodist Student Center

#### Service & Education

Air Force ROTC  
Ambassadors  
American String Teachers Association  
Arnold Air Society  
Campus Girl Scouts of Valdosta State University  
Circle K Club of VSU  
HOPE  
KARMA Peer Educators  
Students in Free Enterprise  
VSU Student Reading Council

#### Special Interest Groups

AIDS Awareness Club  
Amnesty International  
Angels  
Anthropology Club  
Artificial Intelligence Group  
Black Student League  
Bread for the World  
Cavaliers  
College Democrats of VSU  
Conservative Student Club  
Distinguished Students of the Caribbean  
Emerald Queens  
Florida-Georgia Alliance for Minority Participation  
Gamma  
Gents  
Harambee  
Interfaith Alliance  
International Radio and Television Society  
National Society of Black Engineers  
Natural High  
Phi Mu Alpha  
Phi Theta Kappa Alumni Association  
Plato's Cave  
Premiere Fashion Models  
Rainbow Arts and Theater Ensemble  
Society for Human Resource Management  
Student Advocacy Association  
Students Against Violating the Earth  
Third Wave

#### Student Governing Boards

Campus Activities Board  
Odradek  
Society of International Students  
Spectator  
Student Communications Board  
Student Government Association  
Student Government Judicial Council  
Student Government Senate  
Student Parking Appeals Board  
WVVS - FM

SOURCE: Valdosta State University Student Handbook 2000-2001, pages 48-49

**NATIONAL STUDENT HONORARY SOCIETIES  
SOCIAL COUNCILS - FY 2001**

National Honorary Fraternities and Societies

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Related Discipline</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Related Discipline</u>
Alpha Chi	Honor Society	Phi Alpha Delta	Pre-Law
Alpha Epsilon Alpha	Accounting	Phi Alpha Theta	History
Alpha Epsilon Delta	Pre-Med	Phi Kappa Phi	Honor Society
Alpha Kappa Delta	Sociology	Phi Sigma Pi	Honor Society
Alpha Lambda Delta	Freshmen	Pi Gamma Mu	Political Science
Alpha Phi Sigma	Sociology	P.R. Students Soc. of America	Professional Society
Alpha Psi Omega	Drama	Rho Lambda	Honorary Panhellenic
Epsilon Delta	Social Work	Sigma Alpha Chi	Honor Society
Honors Students Association	Honor Society	Sigma Alpha Iota	Music
Lambda Pi Eta	Communications	Sigma Pi Sigma	Physics
Omicron Delta Kappa	Leadership	Sigma Prime	Biology
Order of Omega	Honorary Org.	Sigma Tau Delta	English

SOURCE: Student Handbook 2000-2001, pages 48-49

Social Councils

<u>National Panhellenic Council</u>	<u>National PanHellenic Council</u>	<u>Interfraternity Council</u>
Alpha Delta Pi	Alpha Phi Alpha	Delta Chi
Alpha Gamma Delta	Alpha Kappa Alpha	Kappa Alpha
Chi Omega	Delta Sigma Theta	Kappa Sigma
Kappa Delta	Kappa Alpha Psi	Pi Kappa Phi
Phi Mu	Omega Psi Phi	Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Zeta Tau Alpha	Phi Beta Sigma	Sigma Nu
	Sigma Gamma Rho	Tau Kappa Epsilon
	Zeta Phi Beta	

SOURCE: Greek Advisor, 2001

RESIDENCE HALL OCCUPANCY RATES FALL TERMS 1998, 1999, & 2000

<u>Building</u>	<u>Capacity 2000</u>	<u>Occupancy Rate Fall 2000</u>	<u>Occupancy Rate Fall 1999</u>	<u>Occupancy Rate Fall 1998</u>
Brown Hall	200	102%	93%	84%
Converse Hall	106	89%	100%	37%
Georgia Hall	209	103%	94%	98%
Hopper Hall	195	102%	91%	97%
Langdale Hall	307	130%	107%	103%
Lowndes Hall	199	105%	Closed for Renovation	80%
Patterson Hall	287	113%	120%	112%
Reade Hall	107	106%	102%	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>109%</b>	<b>103%</b>	<b>94%</b>

SOURCE: Director of Housing and Residence Life, 2001

# CAREER SERVICES

## Career Services Summary for 2000-2001

Career Placement Activities	Student Participation	Employer Participation
1. Placement files created .....	460	
2. Percentage of placement files belonging to seniors .....	57%	
3. Conduction of interviews on-campus .....	69	13
4. Attendance at Education Career Day .....	514	160
5. Attendance at Business and Government Joint Career Day .....	526	120

## Companies Recruiting at Valdosta State University in 2000-2001

### School Systems:

Aiken (SC) County  
 Alachua (FL) County  
 Armstrong Atlantic State University  
 Atkinson County  
 Atlanta Public  
 Augusta-Richmond County  
 Bacon County  
 Baker County  
 Baldwin County  
 Bartow County  
 Ben Hill County  
 Berrien County  
 Bibb County  
 Brevard (FL) County  
 Brooks County  
 Butts County  
 Camden County  
 Carroll County  
 Carrollton City  
 Cecil (MD) County  
 Charlton County  
 Chattahoochee-Flint RESA  
 Cherokee County  
 Childcare Network, Inc.  
 Clarke County  
 Clay County  
 Clay (FL) County  
 Clayton County  
 Clinch County  
 Coastal Plain Head Start  
 Cobb County  
 Coffee County  
 Colquitt County  
 Cook County  
 Coweta County  
 CPES Center - Cook County  
 CPES of South Georgia  
 Crisp County  
 Cumberland (NC) County  
 Cypress-Fairbanks (TX) Ind. District  
 Decatur City  
 DeKalb County  
 Devereux Treatment Network  
 District School Board of Paso County (FL)  
 Dooly County  
 Dougherty County  
 Douglas County  
 Echols County  
 Effingham County  
 Evans County  
 Fayette County  
 Forsyth County  
 Fulton County  
 Gainesville City  
 Glynn County  
 Grady County  
 Griffin-Spalding County  
 Harford (MD) County  
 Harris County  
 Hendry (FL) County  
 Henry County  
 Hernando (FL) County  
 Highlands (FL) County  
 Hillsborough (FL) County  
 Houston County  
 Indian River (FL) County  
 Irwin County  
 Jasper County

Jasper (SC) County  
 Jeff Davis County  
 Jefferson County  
 Jones County  
 Katy Independent (TX) School District  
 Killeen Independent (TX) School District  
 Lanier County  
 Lee County  
 Liberty County  
 Lowndes County  
 Macon County  
 Manatee (FL) County  
 Marietta City  
 Marion County  
 McDuffie County  
 McIntosh County  
 Mercer University School of Law  
 Meriwether County  
 Miami-Dade (FL) County  
 Middle Georgia RESA  
 Miss Daisy Preschool  
 Mitchell County  
 Muscogee County  
 Newton County  
 Oconee County  
 Okeechobee (FL) County  
 Paulding County  
 Pelham City  
 Pierce County  
 Pike County  
 Polk (FL) County  
 Professional Association of Georgia Educators  
 Pulaski County  
 Putnam County  
 Randolph County  
 Savannah-Chatham County  
 Screven County  
 Smiling Faces Daycare & Nursery  
 Social Circle City  
 Stuart County  
 Sumter County  
 Taliaferro County  
 Taylor County  
 TeachGeorgia.org  
 Telfair County  
 Terrell County  
 Thomas County  
 Thomas Technical Institute  
 Thomaston-Upson County  
 Thomasville City  
 Tift County  
 Tiftarea Academy  
 Troup County  
 University of Georgia-Boyd Graduate Studies  
 Valdosta City  
 Valwood School  
 Vidalia City  
 Volusia (FL) County  
 Walton County  
 Ware County  
 Wayne County  
 Westbrook School  
 Westwood School  
 Wilkinson County  
 Wonderland Daycare  
 Worth County  
Health Care/Social Service Agencies:  
 America's Counseling Service  
 Behavioral Health Services

Berrien County Hospital  
 Beverly Rehab  
 Boy Scouts of America  
 Digestive Disorders & Liver Clinic  
 Greenleaf Center, Inc.  
 Inner Harbour Hospital/AmeriCorps  
 Magnolia Manor, Inc.  
 Medical Center of Central Georgia  
 Memorial Health University Medical Center  
 Methodist Home for Children & Youth  
 Northeast Georgia Health System  
 Okefenokee Heritage Center  
 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital  
 Satilla Community Service Board  
 South Georgia Medical Center  
 St. Mary's Health Care System, Inc.  
 St. Vincent's Health Systems  
 Sumter Regional Hospital  
 Tallahassee Community Hospital  
 Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare

### Government Agencies:

Air Force Personnel Center  
 Auditor General-State of Florida  
 City of Albany-Police, Fire, & Human Resources  
 City of Tifton  
 City of Valdosta  
 Douglasville Police Department  
 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation  
 Florida Highway Patrol  
 Georgia Bureau of Investigation  
 Georgia Department of Audits - Medicaid  
 Georgia Department of Corrections  
 Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice  
 Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
 Georgia Pines Community Service  
 Georgia Police CORPS  
 Georgia State Patrol  
 Governor's Intern Program  
 Gwinnett County Police Department  
 IRS Criminal Investigation Division  
 Jacksonville Sheriff's Office  
 Lowndes County DFCS  
 Macon Police Department  
 Montgomery Police Department  
 Navy Recruiting District  
 Savannah Police Department  
 Social Security Administration  
 State Board of Pardons & Paroles  
 Tallahassee Police Department  
 U.S. Army - Valdosta Recruiting Station  
 U.S. Customs Service  
 U.S. Marine Corps Officer Selection Office  
 U.S. Secret Service  
 USAF Health Professions  
 USAF Officer Accessions  
 USDA, AMS, Cotton Program

### Businesses:

7-Eleven, Inc.  
 ABC Bancorp  
 Alexander & Vann, LLP  
 American Express Financial Advisors  
 Apex Supply Company  
 Applied Industrial Technologies  
 APS Staffing for Colonial Bag Co.  
 Atlantic Coast Federal  
 BB&T  
 Becker Conviser CPA  
 Belk Valdosta #510

Camelot Music  
 Consolidated Electrical Distributors  
 Convergys  
 Cox Communications, Inc.  
 Douglas Asphalt  
 Dowdy, Whittaker & Youmans  
 Duck Head Outlet  
 Eli Lilly and Company  
 Ernst & Young LLP  
 Farley Nuclear Plant  
 Fastenal Company  
 Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.  
 Finley McNary Engineers  
 Florida Farm Bureau  
 Griffin Corporation  
 H.H. Burnet & Company, PC  
 Hearing & Health Resources  
 Helena Chemical Company  
 Hertz Equipment Rental  
 Horace Mann Insurance Company  
 Hormel Foods Corp.  
 ISP Alliance, Inc.  
 Joel K. Arline, CPA  
 Johnson & Johnson  
 Kelly Services, Inc.  
 K-MART  
 Lanier Health Services, Inc.  
 Lowe's Regional Distribution Center  
 M & S Steel, Inc.  
 MARTA Police Department  
 Mary Kay Cosmetics  
 Mattress Expo  
 Mauldin & Jenkins  
 McClellan Truck Lines  
 Merck & Company, Inc.  
 Merrill Lynch Financial  
 New York Life  
 Northwestern Mutual Financial Network  
 Norwest Financial  
 Ogen Forklifts, LLC  
 Old World Financial Services  
 ONSITE  
 Pfizer, Inc.  
 Phoenix Loss Prevention  
 Plastipak Packaging, Inc.  
 Quaker Oats  
 Ralston & Company, P.A.  
 Royal Staffing Services, Inc.  
 SAFT  
 Shaw Industries, Inc.  
 Sherwin Williams Company  
 State Farm Insurance Company  
 Steak-N- Shake  
 Summer Waves  
 SunTrust Bank  
 Target Distribution Center  
 The Home Depot  
 The Money Tree, Inc.  
 Transom Staffing  
 Travel Country RV Center  
 TruGreen ChemLawn  
 United Parcel Service  
 VALIC - American General  
 Waffle House  
 Wal-Mart Distribution Center  
 Wells Fargo Financial  
 Winn-Dixie Stores  
 Workforce Personnel  
 Zaxby's Franchising, Inc.

SOURCE: Valdosta State University Office of Career Services, 2001.